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2. B. Neukamm et al., "Endocytosis is involved in DNA uptake in yeast", Biochimica et Biophysica Acta, Vol. 1572, No. 1, August 15, 2002, pp. 67-76.

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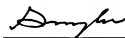
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